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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

Letter Regarding Response to Notice to File Missing Parts [X]

[X]Copies of documents mailed to the PTO on March 20, 2002

[X]Return Receipt Postcard

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

A check is not enclosed. If a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following document(s):

- [x] Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts
- [x] Declaration for Patent Application
- [x] Patent Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595)
- [x] Assignment to Validity, Inc.
- [x] Petition for One Month Extension of Time
- [x] Check in the amount of \$160.00
- [x] Return Receipt Postcard

Applicant hereby claims small entity status.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

A check in the amount of \$160.00 to cover the surcharge, assignment recording fee and one

month extension of time is enclosed. If the fee is insufficient, the balance may be charged to Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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### Letter Regarding Response to Notice to File Missing Parts

Sir:

A Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application was mailed in the above application on January 2, 2002. On March 20, 2002, Applicant's attorney mailed a response, including a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts, an executed Declaration for Patent Application, an assignment Recordation Cover Sheet, an Assignment to Validity, Inc., a Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, a check in the amount of \$160.00 and a return receipt postcard. Copies of the documents mailed on March 20, 2002, are enclosed.

To date Applicants have not received an updated Filing Receipt or a Notice of Publication. A Notice of Recordation of Assignment document was received on May 31, 2002.

In a recent review of the file, Applicant's attorney noted that the Transmittal letter, the Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and the postcard mailed on March 20, 2002 included an incorrect serial number. In particular, these documents bear serial No. 10/055,643 (incorrect) rather than 10/005,643 (correct). The error in the serial number was clearly an inadvertent clerical letter. The Transmittal letter and the Petition for One-Month Extension of Time both

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identify the correct confirmation number. Furthermore, the Declaration and the Assignment both refer to the correct serial number.

It is believed that the above clerical error may have caused the papers mailed on March 20, 2002, to become associated with the incorrect PTO file, thus accounting for the failure to receive an updated Filing Receipt and a Notice of Publication.

Based upon the above statement of facts, Applicant respectfully requests that the enclosed copies of the documents filed March 20, 2002, including the executed Declaration, be entered into the application and that the application be forwarded to the appropriate art unit for examination.

If there are questions regarding this matter or if this application is deemed to have been abandoned, it is requested that Applicant's undersigned attorney be contacted by telephone.

Any required fee may be charged to deposit account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of the sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted, Fred G. Benkley, III, Applicant

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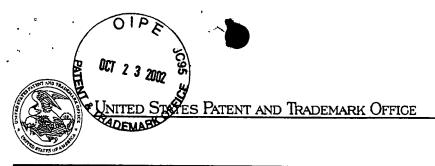
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#### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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